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Revised estimates under section 27, Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia

Report of the Secretary-General

1. In the overview of section 27, Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia (ESCWA), of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1992-1993, 1/ it was stated that owing to the situation in the region, the Commission was unable to submit its programme budget proposals for the biennium 1992-1993 at the time of the preparation of the proposed programme budget. It should be recalled that the section would contain a new programme structure in accordance with programme 34 of the medium-term plan approved for 1992-1997 and that resources were included in the proposed programme budget for 1992-1993 at the maintenance level, on the understanding that the relevant programme of work and detailed resource justifications would be prepared at a later stage.

2. The annex to the present report contains the proposed programme of work of ESCWA for 1992-1993 and the detailed justification of revised resource requirements for the biennium 1992-1993.

1/ Official Records of the General Assembly, Forty-sixth Session, Supplement No. 6 (A/46/6/Rev.1), vol. II.

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PROPOSED PROGRAMME BUDGET FOR THE BIENNIUM 1992-1993

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SECTION 27. ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COMMISSION FOR WESTERN ASIA

OVERVIEW

TABLE 27.1. ANALYSIS OF OVERALL COSTS

(Thousands of United States dollars)

DIRECT COSTS

(1) Regular budget

1990-1991 appropriation	Estimated additional requirements at revised 1991 rates				Total requirements at revised 1991 rates	Inflation in 1992 and 1993		1992-1993 estimates
	Revaluation of 1990-1991 resource base		Resource growth					
	$	%	$	%	$	$	%	
44 099.5 a/	2 807.5	6.3	159.5	0.3	47 066.5	4 563.5	9.6	51 630.0

Analysis of real growth (at revised 1991 rates)

(1) Total revalued 1990-1991 resource base	Resource growth				Rate of real growth (5) over (1)
	(2) Actual	(3) Less non-recurrent items	(4) Plus delayed growth (new posts)	(5) Adjusted	
46 907.0	159.5	55.2	-	104.3	0.2%

a/ This figure includes an amount of $43,938,000 appropriated for the Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia (former section 14 of the programme budget for the biennium 1990-1991) and an amount of $161,500 for staff training (under former section 28C, Office of Human Resources Management, of the programme budget for 1990-1991).

TABLE 27.1 (continued)

(2) Extrabudgetary resources

	1990-1991 estimated expenditures	1992-1993 estimated expenditures
(a) Services in support of:		
(i) Other United Nations organizations	-	-
(ii) Extrabudgetary programmes	184.7	407.4
Total (a)	184.7	407.4
(b) Substantive activities		
Trust Fund for ESCWA Regional Activities	30.3	15.0
Total (b)	30.3	15.0
(c) Operational projects		
United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)	173.8	322.2
United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA)	271.6	750.3
United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP)	178.0	100.0
United Nations Development Fund for Women (UNIFEM)	210.1	341.0
United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO)	7.0	7.0
Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO)	-	6.0
United Nations Conference on Environment and Development (UNCED)	35.0	50.0
Arab Gulf Programme for United Nations Development Organizations (AGFUND)	95.5	766.0
Islamic Development Bank (IDB)	-	105.0
Arab Fund for Economic and Social Development (AFESD)	17.1	40.0

TABLE 27.1 (continued)

	1990-1991 estimated expenditures	1992-1993 estimated expenditures
Swedish International Development Agency (SIDA)	-	104.0
League of Arab States (LAS)	-	24.0
Al Alamieh Special Contribution	5.0	10.0
Maritime Academy	-	10.0
Land Transport Union	-	10.0
United Nations Trust Fund for Ageing	-	8.0
Aga Khan Foundation	-	5.0
Iraqi Fund for External Development	16.1	-
Bilateral sources	96.4	216.0
Total (c)	1 105.6	2 874.5
Total (a), (b) and (c)	1 320.6	3 296.9
Total, direct costs		54 926.9

TABLE 27.2. ANALYSIS OF REVALUED 1990-1991 RESOURCE BASE (AT REVISED 1991 RATES)

(Thousands of United States dollars)

	1990-1991 appropriation (1)	Non-recurrent 1990-1991 items (2)	Additional requirements: Delayed impact of 1990-1991 growth: Established posts (3)	Additional requirements: Delayed impact of 1990-1991 growth: Other objects of expenditure (4)	Additional requirements: Recosting at revised 1991 rates: Established posts (5)	Additional requirements: Recosting at revised 1991 rates: Other objects of expenditure (6)	Additional requirements: Special adjustments (7)	Additional requirements: Total (8)	Net additional requirements (9) (8)-(2)	Total revalued 1990-1991 resource base (10) (1)+(9)
A. Executive direction and management	3 281.5	-	-	-	244.1	3.2	9.8	257.1	257.1	3 538.6
B. Programme of work										
1. Food and agriculture	1 679.2	-	-	-	123.7	1.9	-	125.6	125.6	1 804.8
2. Development issues and policies	1 799.9	-	-	-	138.5	3.2	10.8	152.5	152.5	1 952.4
3. Environment	354.9	35.4	-	-	18.1	0.8	-	18.9	(16.5)	338.4
4. Human settlements	1 114.5	-	-	-	84.0	3.7	-	87.7	87.7	1 202.2
5. Industrial development	2 217.2	-	-	-	168.9	4.2	-	173.1	173.1	2 390.3
6. International trade and development issues	639.6	-	-	-	57.1	0.5	-	57.6	57.6	697.2
7. Natural resources	695.4	-	-	-	53.6	1.4	4.6	59.6	59.6	755.0
8. Energy issues	1 220.6	-	-	-	102.3	3.4	-	105.7	105.7	1 326.3
9. Population	1 726.8	-	-	-	133.4	3.3	4.6	141.3	141.3	1 868.1
10. Public administration and finance	480.7	-	-	-	35.5	0.4	-	35.9	35.9	516.6
11. Science and technology	940.7	-	-	-	67.5	3.7	-	71.2	71.2	1 011.9
12. Social development and welfare	1 576.8	-	-	-	129.2	1.2	(723.6)	(593.2)	(593.2)	983.6
13. Women and development	-	-	-	-	-	-	738.9	738.9	738.9	738.9

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TABLE 27.2 (continued)

	1990-1991 appropriation (1)	Non-recurrent 1990-1991 items (2)	Additional requirements: Delayed impact of 1990-1991 growth: Established posts (3)	Additional requirements: Delayed impact of 1990-1991 growth: Other objects of expenditure (4)	Additional requirements: Recosting at revised 1991 rates: Established posts (5)	Additional requirements: Recosting at revised 1991 rates: Other objects of expenditure (6)	Additional requirements: Special adjustments (7)	Additional requirements: Total (8)	Net additional requirements (9) (8)-(2)	Total revalued 1990-1991 resource base (10) (1)+(9)
14. Statistics	1 875.5	-	-	-	124.0	2.0	4.6	130.6	130.6	2 006.1
15. Transport and communications	1 691.7	-	-	-	116.0	4.8	-	120.8	120.8	1 812.5
C. Programme support	22 804.5	148.4	-	-	1 083.5	224.5	-	1 308.0	1 159.6	23 964.1
Total	44 099.5	183.8	-	-	2 679.4	262.2	49.7 a/	2 991.3	2 807.5	46 907.0

a/ This net amount represents the transfer of resources from section 1, Overall policy-making, direction and coordination, relating to the attendance of ESCWA staff at meetings of the Committee for Programme and Coordination (see table 1.5); and from section 11E, Policy-making organs (economic and social activities), relating to the attendance of ESCWA staff at meetings of the functional commissions of the Economic and Social Council (see table 11E.1); in addition, resources under subprogramme 12, Social development and welfare, and subprogramme 13, Women and development, have been redistributed in line with the requirements of the new subprogramme structure.

TABLE 27.3. REGULAR BUDGET, DIRECT COSTS: SUMMARY OF 1992-1993 REQUIREMENTS AND RATES OF REAL GROWTH

(Thousands of United States dollars)

	1990-1991 appropriation	Estimated additional requirements at revised 1991 rates		Total requirements at revised 1991 rates	Inflation in 1992 and 1993	1992-1993 estimates	Rate of real growth %
		Revaluation of 1990-1991 resource base	Resource growth				
A. Executive direction and management	3 281.5	257.1	(108.6)	3 430.0	274.2	3 704.2	(3.0)
B. Programme of work							
1. Food and agriculture	1 679.2	125.6	10.0	1 814.8	148.8	1 963.6	0.5
2. Development issues and policies	1 799.9	152.5	50.6	2 003.0	165.5	2 168.5	2.5
3. Environment	354.9	(16.5)	189.2	527.6	40.8	568.4	55.9
4. Human settlements	1 114.5	87.7	-	1 202.2	97.2	1 299.4	-
5. Industrial development	2 217.2	173.1	(14.0)	2 376.3	186.0	2 562.3	(0.5)
6. International trade and development finance	639.6	57.6	47.4	744.6	61.7	806.3	6.7
7. Natural resources	695.4	59.6	368.2	1 123.2	96.2	1 219.4	48.7
8. Energy issues	1 220.6	105.7	(8.3)	1 318.0	103.4	1 421.4	(0.6)
9. Population	1 726.8	141.3	174.6	2 042.7	157.7	2 200.4	9.3
10. Public administration and finance	480.7	35.9	5.0	521.6	39.5	561.1	0.9
11. Science and technology	940.7	71.2	(230.8)	781.1	68.0	849.1	(22.8)
12. Social development and welfare	1 576.8	(593.2)	122.4	1 106.0	84.7	1 190.7	12.4
13. Women and development	-	738.9	3.3	742.2	61.1	803.3	0.4
14. Statistics	1 875.5	130.6	19.9	2 026.0	181.2	2 207.2	0.9
15. Transport and communications	1 691.7	120.8	(171.8)	1 640.7	136.7	1 777.4	(9.4)
C. Programme support	22 804.5	1 159.6	(297.6)	23 666.5	2 660.8	26 327.3	(1.4)
Total	44 099.5	2 807.5	159.5	47 066.5	4 563.5	51 630.0	0.2

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TABLE 27.4. REGULAR BUDGET, DIRECT COSTS: SUMMARY OF 1992-1993 REQUIREMENTS AND RATES OF REAL GROWTH, BY OBJECT OF EXPENDITURE

(Thousands of United States dollars)

Objects of expenditure	1990-1991 appropriation	Estimated additional requirements at revised 1991 rates: Revaluation of 1990-1991 resource base	Estimated additional requirements at revised 1991 rates: Resource growth	Total requirements at revised 1991 rates	Inflation in 1992 and 1993	1992-1993 estimates	Rate of real growth %
Established posts	26 232.9	1 811.9	-	28 044.8	2 529.4	30 574.2	-
Temporary assistance for meetings	107.4	3.0	-	110.4	17.0	127.4	(50.0)
General temporary assistance	57.5	(29.4)	(10.0)	18.1	3.3	21.4	(35.5)
Consultants	407.3	20.7	3.9	431.9	63.0	494.9	0.9
Overtime	175.6	8.2	(80.0)	103.8	18.7	122.5	(43.5)
Ad hoc expert groups	166.9	10.2	169.0	346.1	59.8	405.9	95.4
Common staff costs	12 461.3	867.5	-	13 328.8	1 180.4	14 509.2	-
Representation allowances	9.2	-	-	9.2	-	9.2	-
Travel of staff	307.8	64.2	46.6	418.6	63.9	482.5	12.5
Training	67.1	2.9	-	70.0	10.8	80.8	-
Contractual services	-	-	25.0	25.0	3.8	28.8	-
External printing and binding	48.7	2.3	-	51.0	7.8	58.8	-
Data processing services	210.8	10.0	-	220.8	33.3	254.1	-
Rental and maintenance of premises	1 128.6	53.6	200.0	1 382.2	194.2	1 576.4	16.9
Utilities	427.4	29.8	(75.0)	382.2	57.0	439.2	(16.4)
Rental of furniture and equipment	410.2	19.4	(50.0)	379.6	57.2	436.8	(11.6)
Communications	513.2	24.2	-	537.4	81.7	619.1	-
Official functions	11.7	0.5	-	12.2	1.9	14.1	-
Miscellaneous services	200.8	4.2	-	205.0	27.5	232.5	-
Supplies and materials	564.7	26.7	(100.0)	491.4	77.3	568.7	(16.9)
Furniture and equipment	553.6	(85.6)	30.0	498.0	75.5	573.5	6.4
Capital expenditures	36.8	(36.8)	-	-	-	-	-
Total	44 099.5	2 807.5	159.5	47 066.5	4 563.5	51 630.0	0.2

TABLE 27.5. POST REQUIREMENTS

Organizational unit: Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia

	Established posts		Temporary posts					
	Regular budget		Regular budget		Extrabudgetary resources		Total	
	1990-1991	1992-1993	1990-1991	1992-1993	1990-1991	1992-1993	1990-1991	1992-1993
Professional category and above								
USG	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	1
D-2	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	1
D-1	8	8	-	-	-	-	8	8
P-5	18	18	-	-	-	-	18	18
P-4	34	34	-	-	1	1	35	35
P-3	26	26	-	-	-	-	26	26
P-2/1	11	11	-	-	2	2	13	13
Total	99	99	-	-	3	3	102	102
Other categories								
Local level	188	188	-	-	2	2	190	190
Total	188	188	-	-	2	2	190	190
Grand total	287	287	-	-	5 a/	5 a/	292	292

a/ In addition, one D-1, one P-4 and one P-3 post under subprogramme 1, Food and agriculture, will continue to be financed by FAO.

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27.1 The Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia (ESCWA) was established by Economic and Social Council resolution 1818 (LV) of 9 August 1973 and as amended by Council resolution 1985/69 of 26 July 1985. The secretariat of ESCWA has been located at Baghdad since 1982; however, owing to the unsettled situation in the area, the secretariat has been temporarily moved to Amman, where all internationally recruited staff have been regrouped since August 1991. The Commission, at its sixteenth session to be held in April 1992, will discuss the future location of its secretariat.

27.2 The proposed programme of work of ESCWA is derived from programme 34, Regional cooperation for development in Western Asia, of the medium-term plan for the period 1992-1997 (A/45/6/Rev.1), which consists of 15 subprogrammes, including a new subprogramme 13, Women and development.

27.3 During the biennium 1992-1993, the Commission's activities are oriented towards activities in the economic and social areas aimed at creating conditions that are conducive to a peaceful political settlement of outstanding regional issues. Particular attention will be given to an interdisciplinary approach to problems, including those in the areas of environment and human resources development. New activities will be initiated in the water and mineral resources development. New initiatives will be explored to deal with problems of return migration and other population and labour movements resulting from the recent crisis in the region, as well as questions of resettlement and reintegration. ESCWA will continue to carry out advisory assistance activities, including the formulation and execution of operational projects, as well as activities in support of member countries and regional organizations.

27.4 ESCWA will implement its work programme in close cooperation with FAO, the United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO) and other relevant specialized agencies and United Nations offices. Its activities, particularly in environment, industry, social development, human settlement and population will be undertaken in close coordination with relevant United Nations organizations, in particular UNEP, the United Nations Centre for Human Settlements (Habitat), UNFPA and the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD). ESCWA will establish and continue to maintain collaboration with non-governmental and intergovernmental institutions, such as LAS and the Gulf Cooperation Council, on regional and subregional issues related to its work programme.

27.5 The Commission, which reports to the Economic and Social Council, provides overall direction to the work of the secretariat. It meets biennially (1993) for a period of one week and receives substantive services from the secretariat; however in 1992, it will hold its sixteenth session, which was postponed from 1991. The Commission has one subsidiary body, the Technical Committee, which assists it in programme matters. Since 1989, an advisory body of heads of diplomatic missions of the States members of the region and a representative of the host Government has been assisting the Executive Secretary in the study of problems connected with the work of the Commission. The advisory body normally meets every four months.

27.6 The estimated percentage distribution of the total resources of ESCWA in 1992-1993 would be as follows:

	Regular budget	Extrabudgetary
	(percentage)	
A. Executive direction and management	7.2	1.7
B. Programme of work	41.8	96.5
C. Programme support	51.0	1.8
Total	100.0	100.0

27.7 Within the programme of work, the estimated percentage distribution of resources among subprogrammes would be as follows:

	Regular budget	Extrabudgetary
	(percentage)	
Subprogramme 1.* Food and agriculture	9.1	-
Subprogramme 2.* Development issues and policies	10.0	1.9
Subprogramme 3. Environment	2.6	10.3
Subprogramme 4. Human settlements	6.0	0.9
Subprogramme 5. Industrial development	11.9	10.8
Subprogramme 6.* International trade and development finance	3.7	-
Subprogramme 7.* Natural resources	5.7	-
Subprogramme 8. Energy issues	6.6	-
Subprogramme 9. Population	10.2	21.5
Subprogramme 10. Public administration and finance	2.6	-
Subprogramme 11. Science and technology	4.0	2.6
Subprogramme 12.* Social development and welfare	5.5	6.2
Subprogramme 13. Women and development	3.7	10.7
Subprogramme 14. Statistics	10.2	30.8
Subprogramme 15. Transport and communications	8.2	4.3
Total	100.0	100.0

* High priority.

A. Executive direction and management

TABLE 27.6. ANALYSIS OF OVERALL COSTS

(Thousands of United States dollars)

(1) Regular budget

Main objects of expenditure	1990-1991 appropriation	Estimated additional requirements at revised 1991 rates: Revaluation of 1990-1991 resource base	Estimated additional requirements at revised 1991 rates: Resource growth	Total requirements at revised 1991 rates	Inflation in 1992 and 1993	1992-1993 estimates
Established posts	2 172.3	165.3	(66.8)	2 270.8	179.3	2 450.1
Common staff costs	1 032.0	78.8	(31.8)	1 079.0	84.0	1 163.0
Representation allowances	9.2	-	-	9.2	-	9.2
Travel of staff	68.0	13.0	(10.0)	71.0	10.9	81.9
Total	3 281.5	257.1	(108.6)	3 430.0	274.2	3 704.2

(2) Extrabudgetary resources

	1990-1991 estimated expenditures	1992-1993 estimated expenditures
(a) Services in support of:		
(i) Other United Nations organizations	-	-
(ii) Extrabudgetary programmes	1.6	6.5
Total (a)	1.6	6.5
(b) Substantive activities		
Trust Fund for ESCWA Regional Activities	12.0	15.0
Total (b)	12.0	15.0

TABLE 27.6 (continued)

	1990-1991 estimated expenditures	1992-1993 estimated expenditures
(c) Operational projects		
Government of France	-	25.0
IDB	-	10.0
Total (c)	-	35.0
Total (a), (b) and (c)	13.6	56.5
Total		3 760.7

TABLE 27.7. POST REQUIREMENTS

Executive direction and management

	Established posts		Temporary posts				Total	
	Regular budget		Regular budget		Extrabudgetary resources			
	1990-1991	1992-1993	1990-1991	1992-1993	1990-1991	1992-1993	1990-1991	1992-1993
Professional category and above								
USG	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	1
D-2	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	1
D-1	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	1
P-5	2	2	-	-	-	-	2	2
P-4	2	2	-	-	-	-	2	2
P-3	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	1
P-2/1	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	1
Total	9	9	-	-	-	-	9	9
Other categories								
Local level	10	9	-	-	-	-	10	9
Total	10	9	-	-	-	-	10	9
Grand total	19	18	-	-	-	-	19	18

27.8 The Office of the Executive Secretary provides overall direction, supervision and management of the secretariat of ESCWA in the implementation of its legislative mandates and its approved work programme. During the biennium, three interdisciplinary seminars will be undertaken on an interdivisional basis, with the Programme Planning and Technical Cooperation Office as the focal point. The seminars are included in the activities under subprogramme 2, Development issues and policies, and subprogramme 9, Population.

Resource requirements (at revised 1991 rates)

Redeployment of posts

27.9 A net redeployment of one Local level post from Executive Direction and Management to Programme Support is proposed. It would be the result of the redeployment of one Local level post from Programme Support to provide additional secretarial services to the Programme Planning and Technical Cooperation Office and of two Local level posts for Information services which are now shown under Programme support (see also para. 27.76 below).

Travel of staff

27.10 The estimated requirements ($71,000) would provide for participation at meetings of the Economic and Social Council, the Committee for Programme and Coordination, the Executive Secretaries of regional commissions, the senior officials of the Organization and LAS. It would also cover the costs of travel by the Executive Secretary and his immediate staff for coordination and consultations with Headquarters officials, Governments, regional organizations and other international organizations. It is proposed to redeploy the amount of $10,000 under Programme support to provide for travel relating to information activities (see para. 27.81).

B. Programme of work

1. Food and agriculture

TABLE 27.8. ANALYSIS OF OVERALL COSTS

(Thousands of United States dollars)

(1) Regular budget

Main objects of expenditure	1990-1991 appropriation	Estimated additional requirements at revised 1991 rates: Revaluation of 1990-1991 resource base	Estimated additional requirements at revised 1991 rates: Resource growth	Total requirements at revised 1991 rates	Inflation in 1992 and 1993	1992-1993 estimates
Established posts	1 111.9	83.9	-	1 195.8	95.3	1 291.1
Consultants	24.5	1.2	-	25.7	4.0	29.7
Ad hoc expert groups	-	-	10.0	10.0	2.1	12.1
Common staff costs	528.2	39.8	-	568.0	45.0	613.0
Travel of staff	14.6	0.7	-	15.3	2.4	17.7
Total	1 679.2	125.6	10.0	1 814.8	148.8	1 963.6

(2) Extrabudgetary resources

	1990-1991 estimated expenditures	1992-1993 estimated expenditures
(a) Services in support of:		
(i) Other United Nations organizations	-	-
(ii) Extrabudgetary programmes	8.5	-
Total (a)	8.5	-
(b) Substantive activities	-	-
Total (b)	-	-

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TABLE 27.8 (continued)

	1990-1991 estimated expenditures	1992-1993 estimated expenditures
(c) Operational projects a/		
UNEP	62.0	-
Bilateral source	3.7	-
Total (c)	65.7	-
Total (a), (b) and (c)	74.2	-
Total		1 963.6

a/ FAO provides additional direct financing for operational activities.

TABLE 27.9. POST REQUIREMENTS

Food and agriculture

	Established posts		Temporary posts					
	Regular budget		Regular budget		Extrabudgetary resources		Total	
	1990-1991	1992-1993	1990-1991	1992-1993	1990-1991	1992-1993	1990-1991	1992-1993
Professional category and above								
P-5	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	1
P-4	2	2	-	-	-	-	2	2
P-3	2	2	-	-	-	-	2	2
P-2/1	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	1
Total	6	6	-	-	-	-	6	6
Other categories								
Local level	5	5	-	-	-	-	5	5
Total	5	5	-	-	-	-	5	5
Grand total	11	11	-	-	- a/	- a/	11	11

a/ In addition, one D-1, one P-4 and one P-3 post will continue to be financed by FAO.

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Subprogramme 1. Food and agriculture*

27.11 This subprogramme is jointly implemented by ESCWA and FAO. The work programme is oriented towards strengthening technical and institutional capacity for agricultural and rural development policy analysis in the region. Activities will include studies on critical agricultural problems and training workshops on agricultural planning and policy analysis. Emphasis will also be given to the rehabilitation of the agricultural sectors that were affected by regional disturbances.

Activities:

1. Published material

(a) Two issues of recurrent publication: Agriculture and Development in Western Asia;

(b) Sixteen non-recurrent publications: national farm data handbooks (two); national plans of action to combat desertification (two); desertification control projects (two); replacement of undesirable crops; rehabilitation of the agricultural sector in Lebanon and the occupied Palestinian territories (two); rationalizing food consumption and food distribution (two); assessment and evaluation of agricultural extension institutions (two); and assessment and evaluation of rural development policies and programmes (two at the national level and one at the regional level).*

2. Ad hoc expert groups

An expert group meeting to assess policies and programmes of rural development in countries of the region.

3. Operational activities

Group training: four workshops, on agricultural planning and project analysis (two), and on agricultural policy analysis and farm management (two) (extrabudgetary (XB)).

4. Coordination, harmonization and liaison

Coordination within the Administrative Committee on Coordination (ACC) Task Force for Rural Development and with UNEP; and support to and liaison with regional and interregional organizations such as the Arab Organization for Agricultural Development (AOAD), the Agricultural Food Marketing Association for the Near East and North Africa (AFMANENA), and the Arab Federation for Food Industry.

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* High priority.

Resource requirements (at revised 1991 rates)

Consultants

27.12 The requested amount of $25,700 would provide for expertise required in the preparation of farm data handbooks, the identification and evaluation of policies relating to replacement of undesirable crops, the rehabilitation of the agricultural sector in Lebanon, the marketing of agricultural crops and food distribution systems, the review and evaluation of agricultural extension institutions, and studies on rural development.

Ad hoc expert groups

27.13 The estimated requirement ($10,000), for which no previous provision had been made, would cover the cost of convening an expert group meeting to assess policies and programmes of rural development in countries of the region.

Travel of staff

27.14 The provision for travel of $15,300 relates to participation at relevant meetings and the preparation of various studies and publications and participation in the organization of training workshops.

2. Development issues and policies

TABLE 27.10. ANALYSIS OF OVERALL COSTS

(Thousands of United States dollars)

(1) Regular budget

Main objects of expenditure	1990-1991 appropriation	Estimated additional requirements at revised 1991 rates: Revaluation of 1990-1991 resource base	Estimated additional requirements at revised 1991 rates: Resource growth	Total requirements at revised 1991 rates	Inflation in 1992 and 1993	1992-1993 estimates
Established posts	1 174.6	94.0	(23.0)	1 245.6	94.4	1 340.0
Consultants	33.9	1.7	4.4	40.0	6.2	46.2
Ad hoc expert groups	-	-	80.0	80.0	13.4	93.4
Common staff costs	557.9	44.5	(10.8)	591.6	44.6	636.2
Travel of staff	33.5	12.3	-	45.8	6.9	52.7
Total	1 799.9	152.5	50.6	2 003.0	165.5	2 168.5

(2) Extrabudgetary resources

	1990-1991 estimated expenditures	1992-1993 estimated expenditures
(a) Services in support of:		
(i) Other United Nations organizations	-	-
(ii) Extrabudgetary programmes	4.3	-
Total (a)	4.3	-
(b) Substantive activities	-	-
Total (b)	-	-

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TABLE 27.10 (continued)

	1990-1991 estimated expenditures	1992-1993 estimated expenditures
(c) Operational projects		
IFESD	17.1	15.0
IDB	-	25.0
Iraqi Fund for External Development	16.1	-
AGFUND	-	20.0
Total (c)	33.2	60.0
Total (a), (b) and (c)	37.5	60.0
Total		2 228.5

TABLE 27.11. POST REQUIREMENTS

Development issues and policies

	Established posts		Temporary posts					
	Regular budget		Regular budget		Extrabudgetary resources		Total	
	1990-1991	1992-1993	1990-1991	1992-1993	1990-1991	1992-1993	1990-1991	1992-1993
Professional category and above								
D-1	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	1
P-5	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	1
P-4	3	2	-	-	-	-	3	2
P-3	1	2	-	-	-	-	1	2
Total	6	6	-	-	-	-	6	6
Other categories								
Local level	4	4	-	-	-	-	4	4
Total	4	4	-	-	-	-	4	4
Grand total	10	10	-	-	-	-	10	10

Subprogramme 2. Development issues and policies*

27.15 Activities will focus on a systematic review and analysis of developments in the region with the view to identifying main development issues and on the promotion of economic cooperation and integration among member countries, with emphasis on the problems and constraints arising from the Gulf crisis and those confronting the least developed member country.

Activities:

1. Published material

(a) Three issues of recurrent publications: Survey of Economic and Social Developments in the ESCWA Region (annual);* and review of progress made in the implementation of the programme of action for the least developed country in the region (biennial);

(b) Two non-recurrent publications: conceptual framework and guidelines for activities relating to wealth, poverty and income distribution; and policy issues arising from the unification of the two parts of Yemen.

2. Ad hoc expert groups

Three expert group meetings on progress made in the implementation of economic cooperation between the least developed member country and other countries of the region; the implications for the region of a peaceful settlement of the question of Palestine; and the reconstruction and rehabilitation of war-damaged countries in the region (RB/XB).* (As mentioned in para. 27.8 above, the last two expert group meetings will be inter-divisional activities to be coordinated by the Programme Planning and Technical Cooperation Office.)

Resource requirements (at revised 1991 rates)

Redeployment of posts

27.16 It is proposed to redeploy one P-4 post from this subprogramme to subprogramme 6, International trade and development finance, in exchange for one P-3 post, in line with the distribution of workload and responsibilities between the two subprogrammes (see also para. 27.33 below).

Consultants

27.17 The estimated requirements ($40,000), which include an increase of $4,400, would provide for specialized input for the annual Survey of Economic

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* High priority.

and Social Developments in the ESCWA Region and for the two non-recurrent publications on wealth, poverty and income distribution and on policy issues arising from the unification of the two parts of Yemen.

Ad hoc expert groups

27.18 A new provision of $80,000 is proposed to cover the cost of convening three expert group meetings: (a) to monitor the progress made in the implementation of economic cooperation between the least developed member country and other countries of the region; (b) to discuss concrete implications for the region of a peaceful settlement of the question of Palestine in various areas such as trade and industry; and (c) to discuss ways and means of rehabilitating war-damaged areas of the region.

Travel of staff

27.19 The estimated requirements of $45,800 relate to participation at meetings of the Committee on Development Planning and the preparation of the studies and publications, mainly the Survey of Economic and Social Developments in the ESCWA Region.

3. Environment

TABLE 27.12. ANALYSIS OF OVERALL COSTS

(Thousands of United States dollars)

(1) Regular budget

Main objects of expenditure	1990-1991 appropriation	Estimated additional requirements at revised 1991 rates: Revaluation of 1990-1991 resource base	Estimated additional requirements at revised 1991 rates: Resource growth	Total requirements at revised 1991 rates	Inflation in 1992 and 1993	1992-1993 estimates
Established posts	204.7	12.3	127.2	344.2	25.5	369.7
General temporary assistance	30.7	(30.7)	-	-	-	-
Consultants	11.4	0.8	(2.2)	10.0	1.6	11.6
Common staff costs	97.2	5.8	60.4	163.4	12.2	175.6
Travel of staff	5.9	0.3	3.8	10.0	1.5	11.5
Miscellaneous services	5.0	(5.0)	-	-	-	-
Total	354.9	(16.5)	189.2	527.6	40.8	568.4

(2) Extrabudgetary resources

	1990-1991 estimated expenditures	1992-1993 estimated expenditures
(a) Services in support of:		
(i) Other United Nations organizations	-	-
(ii) Extrabudgetary programmes	20.0	37.8
Total (a)	20.0	37.8

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TABLE 27.12 (continued)

	1990-1991 estimated expenditures	1992-1993 estimated expenditures
(b) Substantive activities		
Trust Fund for ESCWA Regional Activities	5.0	-
Total (b)	5.0	-
(c) Operational projects		
UNEP	86.0	100.0
UNDP	64.0	100.0
UNCED	35.0	50.0
AFESD	-	25.0
Bilateral source	-	16.0
Total (c)	185.0	291.0
Total (a), (b) and (c)	210.0	328.8
Total		897.2

TABLE 27.13. POST REQUIREMENTS

Environment

	Established posts		Temporary posts				Total	
	Regular budget		Regular budget		Extrabudgetary resources			
	1990-1991	1992-1993	1990-1991	1992-1993	1990-1991	1992-1993	1990-1991	1992-1993
Professional category and above								
P-4	1	1	-	-	1	1	2	2
P-3	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1
Total	1	2	-	-	1	1	2	3
Other categories								
Local level	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	1
Total	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	1
Grand total	2	3	-	-	1	1	3	4

Subprogramme 3. Environment

27.20 The work programme envisaged for the biennium will focus on incorporating the environmental dimension into the development process through coordination with other development programmes and through the promotion of environmentally sound sectoral development plans in the region. Activities will include the establishment of a computerized database on natural resources and environment and the dissemination of information. The subprogramme aims at encouraging countries of the region to adhere to global and regional environmental conventions.

Activities:

1. International cooperation

External relations: coordination with regional institutions such as the Executive Bureau of Council of Arab Ministers on Environment and the Regional Centre on Environment and Development for Arab States and Europe.*

2. Parliamentary services

Parliamentary documentation: three reports to the Commission on the Ministerial Arab Conference on Environment and Development, on follow-up action in connection with the UNCED; and on progress in the implementation of the Ministerial Declaration on Environment and Development and Future Prospects in the region.

3. Published material

Technical material: compilation and computerization of a database on environment.**

4. Operational activities

(a) Advisory services: preparation of environmentally sound sectoral development plans in the region (regular budget/extrabudgetary (RB/XB));

(b) Group training: national workshop in environmental planning and management capabilities in Jordan (RB/XB).

5. Coordination, harmonization and liaison

Participation in regional, interregional and international meetings on environment, in particular, UNCED, the UNEP Governing Council sessions and the

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* High priority.

** Low priority.

Designated Officers on Environmental Matters. Cooperation with UNEP on the implementation of various projects dealing with environment and development of water resources and of industry, desertification and depletion of the ozone layer.

Resource requirements (at revised 1991 rates)

Redeployment of posts

27.21 It is proposed to redeploy a P-3 post from subprogramme 15, Transport and communications, to strengthen this subprogramme (see also para 27.71 below). This reflects the increased importance given to environmental activities.

Consultants

27.22 The requested amount of $10,000 would cover the cost of outside expertise to assist in establishng a computerized database on environment and to formulate guidelines for the preparation of environmental development plans.

Travel of staff

27.23 The estimated requirements ($10,000) relate to participation in regional, interregional and international meetings on environment, as well as to travel for coordination and consultations with public and institutional officials dealing with environment matters.

4. Human settlements

TABLE 27.14. ANALYSIS OF OVERALL COSTS

(Thousands of United States dollars)

(1) Regular budget

Main objects of expenditure	1990-1991 appropriation	Estimated additional requirements at revised 1991 rates: Revaluation of 1990-1991 resource base	Estimated additional requirements at revised 1991 rates: Resource growth	Total requirements at revised 1991 rates	Inflation in 1992 and 1993	1992-1993 estimates
Established posts	727.8	57.0	-	784.8	61.5	846.3
Consultants	14.1	0.7	-	14.8	2.2	17.0
Ad hoc expert groups	16.5	2.5	-	19.0	2.9	21.9
Common staff costs	345.8	27.0	-	372.8	29.0	401.8
Travel of staff	10.3	0.5	-	10.8	1.6	12.4
Total	1 114.5	87.7	-	1 202.2	97.2	1 299.4

(2) Extrabudgetary resources

	1990-1991 estimated expenditures	1992-1993 estimated expenditures
(a) Services in support of:		
(i) Other United Nations organizations	-	-
(ii) Extrabudgetary programmes	1.1	3.3
Total (a)	1.1	3.3
(b) Substantive activities	-	-
Total (b)	-	-

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TABLE 27.14 (continued)

	1990-1991 estimated expenditures	1992-1993 estimated expenditures
(c) Operational projects		
Bilateral source	8.7	-
IDB	-	20.0
Aga Khan Foundation	-	5.0
Total (c)	8.7	25.0
Total (a), (b) and (c)	9.8	28.3
Total		1 327.7

TABLE 27.15. POST REQUIREMENTS

Human settlements

	Established posts		Temporary posts					
	Regular budget		Regular budget		Extrabudgetary resources		Total	
	1990-1991	1992-1993	1990-1991	1992-1993	1990-1991	1992-1993	1990-1991	1992-1993
Professional category and above								
P-5	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	1
P-4	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	1
P-3	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	1
P-2/1	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	1
Total	4	4	-	-	-	-	4	4
Other categories								
Local level	3	3	-	-	-	-	3	3
Total	3	3	-	-	-	-	3	3
Grand total	7	7	-	-	-	-	7	7

Subprogramme 4. Human settlements

27.24 The work programme will focus on the promotion of planning and design approaches to housing that are suitable to the sociocultural and environmental contexts of the region. Emphasis will be placed on strengthening the local capacities to manage efficiently the available human and financial resources. These strategies will be elaborated in two major activities on low-cost housing and on the social and cultural contexts of physical planning, which will provide the framework for interlinked studies on various aspects of planning and design aimed at devising practical means for implementation.

Activities:

1. Published material

Eight non-recurrent publications: appropriate human settlements planning; human settlements situation; provision of shelter and public amenities in rapidly changing urban areas; sociocultural effects on the design of the housing unit;** manual for implementing community development projects; guidelines for appropriate planning and design standards; assessing neighbourhood and community cohesiveness in urban life; and proceedings of the symposium on low-cost housing in the Arab region.

2. Ad hoc expert groups

Two expert group meetings on low-cost housing in the Arab region and on the social and cultural context of physical planning of the Arab city (RB/XB).*

3. Information materials and services

Exhibits and other visual materials on appropriate technology for low-cost housing; and competition on the theme of "The autonomous village, alternative human settlements planning and design methods".

Resource requirements (at revised 1991 rates)

Consultants

27.25 The provision of $14,800 would be required for outside expertise: (a) to review and assess existing planning and design standards in selected cities in the region; (b) to prepare a comparative study of community

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** Low priority.

* High priority.

development projects and to assist in the preparation of the related manual; and (c) to assess neighbourhood and community cohesiveness in urban life.

Ad hoc expert groups

27.26 The amount of $19,000 would provide for the costs of organizing two expert group meetings on low-cost housing and on the social and cultural context of physical planning of the Arab city.

Travel of staff

27.27 The estimated requirements ($10,800) relate to field surveys in selected cities to study housing development projects, the organization of the two expert group meetings and consultations with public officials and regional institutions.

5. Industrial development

TABLE 27.16. ANALYSIS OF OVERALL COSTS

(Thousands of United States dollars)

(1) Regular budget

Main objects of expenditure	1990-1991 appropriation	Estimated additional requirements at revised 1991 rates: Revaluation of 1990-1991 resource base	Estimated additional requirements at revised 1991 rates: Resource growth	Total requirements at revised 1991 rates	Inflation in 1992 and 1993	1992-1993 estimates
Established posts	1 450.2	114.6	-	1 564.8	118.5	1 683.3
Consultants	39.8	2.0	(12.0)	29.8	4.6	34.4
Ad hoc expert groups	16.0	1.1	-	17.1	3.6	20.7
Common staff costs	688.9	54.3	-	743.2	56.0	799.2
Travel of staff	22.3	1.1	(2.0)	21.4	3.3	24.7
Total	2 217.2	173.1	(14.0)	2 376.3	186.0	2 562.3

(2) Extrabudgetary resources

	1990-1991 estimated expenditures	1992-1993 estimated expenditures
(a) Services in support of:		
(i) Other United Nations organizations	-	-
(ii) Extrabudgetary programmes	16.8	39.4
Total (a)	16.8	39.4
(b) Substantive activities	-	-
Total (b)	-	-

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Table 27.16 (continued)

	1990-1991 estimated expenditures	1992-1993 estimated expenditures
(c) Operational projects		
UNDP	57.8	122.2
UNIFEM	-	31.0
IDB	-	50.0
Al Alamieh Special Contribution	5.0	10.0
Bilateral source	66.0	90.0
Total (c)	128.8	303.2
Total (a), (b) and (c)	145.6	342.6
Total		2 904.9

TABLE 27.17. POST REQUIREMENTS

Industrial development

	Established posts		Temporary posts				Total	
	Regular budget		Regular budget		Extrabudgetary resources			
	1990-1991	1992-1993	1990-1991	1992-1993	1990-1991	1992-1993	1990-1991	1992-1993
Professional category and above								
D-1	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	1
P-5	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	1
P-4	3	3	-	-	-	-	3	3
P-3	2	2	-	-	-	-	2	2
P-2/1	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	1
Total	8	8	-	-	-	-	8	8
Other categories								
Local level	5	5	-	-	-	-	5	5
Total	5	5	-	-	-	-	5	5
Grand total	13	13	-	-	-	-	13	13

Subprogramme 5. Industrial development

27.28 Efforts will continue in analysing progress and prospects of industrial development in the region in the light of recent events. Particular attention will be given to the promotion of entrepreneurship; the development of managerial skills with special attention to the needs of return migrants; introduction of specialized industrial technologies; and assistance to industrial enterprises to operate under severe and fast-changing conditions and to recover from the damages resulting from the conflicts in the region.

Activities:

1. Parliamentary services

Parliamentary documentation: two reports to the Commission on assistance to existing industries and on strengthening the functioning of industrial training institutions in member countries.

2. Published material

(a) Recurrent publication: progress and prospects of industrial development in the ESCWA countries;

(b) Ten non-recurrent publications: assessment of the status and performance of selected industrial sectors in Yemen; manual for a training workshop on how to start one's own business; entrepreneurship in small-scale industry, with special reference to return migrants; adaptation of reverse engineering techniques to manufacture machinery for agro-food industries; case-study of the sugar industry and derivatives in Egypt;** software industries in the Arab countries; interconnection technologies for electronics industries in the Arab countries; managing technologies changes in electronics industries in the Arab countries; participation of women in the labour force in selected industrial sectors; and salt-based industries and its prospects in the ESCWA region.**

3. Ad hoc expert groups

Two expert group meetings on operation of industrial enterprises under severe and fast-changing conditions;* and creation of indigenous entrepreneurship and opportunities for small- and medium-scale industrial investment (RB/XB).

** Low priority.

* High priority.

4. Information materials and services

Directory of software houses and firms in the Arab countries; and an exhibit of software products.

5. Operational activities

(a) Advisory assistance on the management and operation of selected industries in the region (RB/XB);*

(b) Group training: entrepreneurial motivation and training concepts; automation and related computer applications; industrial automation and robotics; software industries in the Arab countries; tissue culture techniques and industrial applications; integrated circuits design and fabrication; and the participation of women in industrial development.

6. Coordination, harmonization and liaison

Coordination with UNIDO and the Arab Industrial Development and Metallurgical Organization (AIDMO) on implementation of a special programme for industrial development in the Arab countries.

Resources requirements (at revised 1991 rates)

Consultants

27.29 The estimated requirements ($29,800), which reflect a decrease of $12,000, relate to specialized inputs for a study on the operation of industrial enterprises under severe and fast-changing conditions for several non-recurrent publications and for material for group training.

Ad hoc expert groups

27.30 The provision of $17,100 relates to the convening of two expert group meetings on the operation of industrial enterprises under severe and fast-changing conditions and on the creation of indigenous entrepreneurship and opportunities for small- and medium-scale industrial investment.

Travel of staff

27.31 The estimated requirements ($21,400) would cover the costs of participation at the sessions of UNIDO and AIDMO, of consultations with officials from Governments and intergovernmental organizations on the joint special programme for industrial development and of travel relating to the expert group meetings.

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* High priority.

6. International trade and development finance

TABLE 27.18. ANALYSIS OF OVERALL COSTS

(Thousands of United States dollars)

(1) Regular budget

Main objects of expenditure	1990-1991 appropriation	Estimated additional requirements at revised 1991 rates: Revaluation of 1990-1991 resource base	Estimated additional requirements at revised 1991 rates: Resource growth	Total requirements at revised 1991 rates	Inflation in 1992 and 1993	1992-1993 estimates
Established posts	426.9	38.7	23.0	488.6	39.0	527.6
Consultants	-	-	10.0	10.0	2.1	12.1
Common staff costs	202.8	18.4	10.8	232.0	18.4	250.4
Travel of staff	9.9	.5	3.6	14.0	2.2	16.2
Total	639.6	57.6	47.4	744.6	61.7	806.3

(2) Extrabudgetary resources

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Total	806.3

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TABLE 27.19. POST REQUIREMENTS

International trade and development finance

	Established posts		Temporary posts				Total	
	Regular budget		Regular budget		Extrabudgetary resources			
	1990-1991	1992-1993	1990-1991	1992-1993	1990-1991	1992-1993	1990-1991	1992-1993
Professional category and above								
P-5	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	1
P-4	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1
Total	1	2	-	-	-	-	1	2
Other categories								
Local level	2	2	-	-	-	-	2	2
Total	2	2	-	-	-	-	2	2
Grand total	3	4	-	-	-	-	3	4

Subprogramme 6. International trade and development finance*

27.32 The activities under this subprogramme will aim at assisting member countries to have a better understanding of how some key factors affect their efforts to expand and to diversify their trade in goods and services; and to formulate policies and measures at various levels in order to redress existing shortcomings. Efforts will continue to identify internal and external developments and issues that have a bearing on the trade and payments situation of the countries in the region. Prospects for economic cooperation in Western Asia will also be studied.

Activities:

1. Published material

(a) Two issues of recurrent publication: analytical review of developments and issues in the external trade and payments situation of countries of Western Asia;

(b) Four non-recurrent publications: the implications of the Uruguay Round of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) on trade and development in the region; export financing mechanisms in the region;* prospects of economic cooperation in the region in light of recent developments; and the link between production policies and export activity in the region.

2. Operational activities

Advisory services in the area of trade promotion policy to assist member States in expanding exports, rationalizing trade policies and coping with emerging issues, such as the formation of a single link with Europe between production policies and export activity in the region.

Resource requirements (at revised 1991 rates)

Redeployment of posts

27.33 It is proposed to redeploy one P-3 post from this subprogramme to subprogramme 2, Development issues and policies, in exchange for a P-4 post (see also para. 27.16 above).

Consultants

27.34 The amount of $10,000 would be required for a consultant to assist in the preparation of a study on prospects of economic cooperation in Western Asia in the light of recent developments.

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* High priority.

Travel of staff

27.35 The estimated requirements ($14,000) would provide for participation in relevant meetings and for consultations and information verification relating to the preparation of publications.

7. Natural resources

TABLE 27.20. ANALYSIS OF OVERALL COSTS

(Thousands of United States dollars)

(1) Regular budget

Main objects of expenditure	1990-1991 appropriation	Estimated additional requirements at revised 1991 rates: Revaluation of 1990-1991 resource base	Estimated additional requirements at revised 1991 rates: Resource growth	Total requirements at revised 1991 rates	Inflation in 1992 and 1993	1992-1993 estimates
Established posts	452.2	36.4	217.0	705.6	56.7	762.3
Consultants	20.6	1.0	10.0	31.6	3.2	34.8
Ad hoc expert groups	-	-	29.0	29.0	6.0	35.0
Common staff costs	214.8	17.2	103.0	335.0	26.8	361.8
Travel of staff	7.8	5.0	9.2	22.0	3.5	25.5
Total	695.4	59.6	368.2	1 123.2	96.2	1 219.4

(2) Extrabudgetary resources

	1990-1991 estimated expenditures	1992-1993 estimated expenditures
(a) Services in support of:		
(i) Other United Nations organizations	-	-
(ii) Extrabudgetary programmes	4.0	-
Total (a)	4.0	-
(b) Substantive activities	-	-
Total (b)	-	-

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Table 27.20 (continued)

	1990-1991 estimated expenditures	1992-1993 estimated expenditures
(c) Operational projects		
UNEP	30.0	-
Bilateral source	1.0	-
Total (c)	31.0	-
Total (a), (b) and (c)	35.0	-
Total		1 219.4

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TABLE 27.21. POST REQUIREMENTS

Natural resources

	Established posts		Temporary posts					
	Regular budget		Regular budget		Extrabudgetary resources		Total	
	1990-1991	1992-1993	1990-1991	1992-1993	1990-1991	1992-1993	1990-1991	1992-1993
Professional category and above								
P-5	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	1
P-4	1	2	-	-	-	-	1	2
Total	2	3	-	-	-	-	2	3
Other categories								
Local level	2	3	-	-	-	-	2	3
Total	2	3	-	-	-	-	2	3
Grand total	4	6	-	-	-	-	4	6

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Subprogramme 7. Natural resources*

27.36 Activities will focus on enhancing institutional and technical capabilities in water resources management, on promoting regional cooperation in water resources development and its rational utilization and on monitoring mining activities with the aim to promote the exploration and exploitation of the mineral resources potential of the region.

Activities:

1. Parliamentary services

Parliamentary documentation: three reports to the Commission on: modalities of cooperation in development of shared water resources; the establishment of a regional committee on natural resources; and progress achieved in the implementation of the Mar del Plata Action Plan.

2. Published material

(a) Four non-recurrent publications: water use and conservation;* operation and maintenance of dams in selected member countries; assessment of mineral resources in selected member countries; and prospects of marketing and downstream operations in the phosphate industry;

(b) Technical material: establishment of a computerized natural resources data bank.

3. Ad hoc expert groups

Expert group meeting to formulate plans and policies, including the development of national master plans, for water resources development, conservation and management, aimed at the optimal use of available water resources.

4. Coordination, harmonization and liaison

Regular and formal consultations with relevant specialized agencies such as UNESCO, the World Health Organization (WHO) and the World Meteorological Organization (WMO) and with other United Nations offices such as UNDP, the Department of Technical Cooperation for Development and the other regional commissions; coordination within the ACC Intersecretariat Group for Water; and participation in the meetings of the Committee on Natural Resources and of LAS organs active in the water sector.

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* High priority.

Resource requirements (at revised 1991 rates)

Redeployment of posts

27.37 It is proposed to redeploy to this subprogramme one P-4 post from subprogramme 11, Science and technology, in order to carry out the enhanced work programme in both the water and mineral sectors (see also para. 27.54 below). It is also proposed to redeploy one Local level post from Programme support to provide the necessary secretarial support (see also para. 27.76 below).

Consultants

27.38 The estimated requirements ($31,600) would provide for obtaining specialized inputs for two project documents relating to the establishment of a regional committee on natural resources, a study on the economy of phosphate deposits, designs for a natural resources database on the region and studies relating to water use and conservation.

Ad hoc expert groups

27.39 The amount of $29,000 would cover the cost of convening an expert group meeting to formulate plans and policies, including the development of national master plans for water resources development, conservation and management, aimed at the optimal use of available water resources.

Travel of staff

27.40 The estimated requirements ($22,000) relate to attendance at meetings of the Committee on Natural Resources, consultations with relevant specialized agencies and United Nations offices, and collection and verification of material for the preparation of various reports and publications.

8. Energy issues

TABLE 27.22. ANALYSIS OF OVERALL COSTS

(Thousands of United States dollars)

(1) Regular budget

Main objects of expenditure	1990-1991 appropriation	Estimated additional requirements at revised 1991 rates: Revaluation of 1990-1991 resource base	Estimated additional requirements at revised 1991 rates: Resource growth	Total requirements at revised 1991 rates	Inflation in 1992 and 1993	1992-1993 estimates
Established posts	765.2	69.4	-	834.6	60.6	895.2
Consultants	30.4	2.3	(2.7)	30.0	3.5	33.5
Ad hoc expert groups	38.0	-	(3.0)	35.0	7.3	42.3
Common staff costs	363.5	32.9	-	396.4	28.6	425.0
Travel of staff	23.5	1.1	(2.6)	22.0	3.4	25.4
Total	1 220.6	105.7	(8.3)	1 318.0	103.4	1 421.4

(2) Extrabudgetary resources

	1990-1991 estimated expenditures	1992-1993 estimated expenditures
(a) Services in support of:		
(i) Other United Nations organizations	-	-
(ii) Extrabudgetary programmes	7.2	-
Total (a)	7.2	-

TABLE 27.22 (continued)

	1990-1991 estimated expenditures	1992-1993 estimated expenditures
(b) Substantive activities		
Trust Fund for ESCWA Regional Activities	3.0	-
Total (b)	3.0	-
(c) Operational projects		
UNDP	52.0	-
Total (c)	52.0	-
Total (a), (b) and (c)	62.2	-
Total		1 421.4

TABLE 27.23. POST REQUIREMENTS

Energy issues

	Established posts		Temporary posts					
	Regular budget		Regular budget		Extrabudgetary resources		Total	
	1990-1991	1992-1993	1990-1991	1992-1993	1990-1991	1992-1993	1990-1991	1992-1993
Professional category and above								
D-1	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	1
P-5	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	1
P-4	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	1
P-3	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	1
Total	4	4	-	-	-	-	4	4
Other categories								
Local level	2	2	-	-	-	-	2	2
Total	2	2	-	-	-	-	2	2
Grand total	6	6	-	-	-	-	6	6

Subprogramme 8. Energy issues

27.41 Activities under this subprogramme will continue to emphasize the formulation of regional energy strategies and policies, particularly in the production and marketing sectors. Efforts will also be made in the promotion of renewable and non-conventional energy technologies and projects. In the field of conservation and environmentally sound management of energy resources, priority will be given to energy audits, energy pricing systems and the development of alternate sources of energy.

Activities:

1. International cooperation

External relations: energy-related activities will be carried out in close co-ordination with intergovernmental and regional organizations, particularly the Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD), the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC), LAS and AIDMO.

2. Parliamentary services

Parliamentary documentation: two reports to the Commission on progress made in the implementation of the Nairobi Programme of Action for the Development and Utilization of New and Renewable Sources of Energy during the last decade;* and on the promotion of selected renewable energy projects.

3. Published material

(a) Four issues of recurrent publications: survey and assessment of energy-related activities in the ESCWA region (annual); and the Bulletin of Current Energy Data (annual);

(b) Two non-recurrent publications: energy audit for selected energy-intensive industries; and energy pricing systems in selected ESCWA countries.**

4. Ad hoc expert groups

Expert group meeting on gas development and market prospects by the year 2000 and beyond, to formulate policies for its production and transportation.

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* High priority.

** Low priority.

5. Coordination, harmonization and liaison

Substantive coordination with specialized agencies and other organizations of the United Nations system, particularly UNDP, the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA), UNIDO, UNCTAD, FAO and UNESCO.

Resource requirements (at revised 1991 rates)

Consultants

27.42 The estimated requirements ($30,000) would provide for outside expertise to assist in the preparation of the studies on gas development and market prospects by the year 2000 and beyond, on energy pricing systems in selected ESCWA countries, on energy use in selected industries and for specialized inputs to the formulation of renewable energy projects.

Ad hoc expert groups

27.43 The amount of $35,000 would cover the cost of the meeting of experts to assess gas potential and market prospects and to formulate policies for its production and transportation.

Travel of staff

27.44 The estimated requirements ($22,000) relate to the organization and preparations for the symposium and to consultations and data verification in connection with the various publications.

9. Population

TABLE 27.24. ANALYSIS OF OVERALL COSTS

(Thousands of United States dollars)

(1) Regular budget

Main objects of expenditure	1990-1991 appropriation	Estimated additional requirements at revised 1991 rates: Revaluation of 1990-1991 resource base	Estimated additional requirements at revised 1991 rates: Resource growth	Total requirements at revised 1991 rates	Inflation in 1992 and 1993	1992-1993 estimates
Established posts	1 130.1	90.5	102.2	1 322.8	99.4	1 422.2
Consultants	24.9	1.2	-	26.1	3.1	29.2
Ad hoc expert groups	22.7	1.5	25.8	50.0	6.1	56.1
Common staff costs	536.9	42.9	48.6	628.4	46.8	675.2
Travel of staff	12.2	5.2	(2.0)	15.4	2.3	17.7
Total	1 726.8	141.3	174.6	2 042.7	157.7	2 200.4

(2) Extrabudgetary resources

	1990-1991 estimated expenditures	1992-1993 estimated expenditures
(a) Services in support of:		
(i) Other United Nations organizations	-	-
(ii) Extrabudgetary programmes	0.2	75.4
Total (a)	0.2	75.4
(b) Substantive activities	-	-
Total (b)	-	-

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TABLE 27.24 (continued)

	1990-1991 estimated expenditures	1992-1993 estimated expenditures
(c) Operational projects		
UNFPA	1.6	580.3
LAS	-	24.0
AGFUND	-	6.0
Total (c)	1.6	610.3
Total (a), (b) and (c)	1.8	685.7
Total		2 886.1

TABLE 27.25. POST REQUIREMENTS

Population

	Established posts		Temporary posts					
	Regular budget		Regular budget		Extrabudgetary resources		Total	
	1990-1991	1992-1993	1990-1991	1992-1993	1990-1991	1992-1993	1990-1991	1992-1993
Professional category and above								
D-1	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	1
P-5	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	1
P-4	2	2	-	-	-	-	2	2
P-3	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	1
P-2/1	1	2	-	-	-	-	1	2
Total	6	7	-	-	-	-	6	7
Other categories								
Local level	4	4	-	-	-	-	4	4
Total	4	4	-	-	-	-	4	4
Grand total	10	11	-	-	-	-	10	11

Subprogramme 9. Population

27.45 Activities will continue in the areas of demographic estimates, the integration of population variables into development and the dissemination of population information. Special attention will be given to population movements associated with recent events in the region, with particular emphasis on labour migration. Efforts will be made to present a regional position on population issues to the 1994 International Conference on Population and Development through, inter alia, organizing a regional meeting on population in 1993.

Activities:

1. Published material

(a) Five issues of recurrent publications: demographic and related socio-economic indicators for ESCWA member countries, as assessed in 1992 (biennial); and Population Bulletin of the Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia (biannual);

(b) Two non-recurrent publications: population movements associated with the Gulf crisis; and proceedings of a meeting on population and development in the Arab world;

(c) Technical material: a database on population and labour.**

2. Ad hoc expert groups

Two expert group meetings on the implications of return migration resulting from the recent crisis in the region, with special reference to unemployment (RB/XB)* (as mentioned in para. 27.9 above, this seminar will be an inter-divisional activity to be coordinated by the Programme Planning and Technical Cooperation Office); and on human resources development in the Arab world.

3. Operational activities

(a) Organization of a regional meeting on population and development in the Arab world (RB/XB);*

(b) Group training: a workshop on integrating population variables into development (XB).

** Low priority.

* High priority.

4. Coordination, harmonization and liaison

Activities will be carried out in cooperation with UNFPA and coordinated within the ACC Ad Hoc Inter-Agency Working Group on Demographic Estimates and Projections.

Resource requirements (at revised 1991 rates)

Redeployment of posts

27.46 It is proposed to redeploy one P-2 post to this subprogramme from Programme support, to assist in carrying out additional activities (see also para. 27.76 below).

Consultants

27.47 The estimated requirements ($26,100) relate to the need for specialized inputs into the publication on demographic and related socio-economic indicators for ESCWA member countries; to prepare six country papers on basic population data and labour movements; and to assist in developing material dealing with integrating population variables into development planning.

Ad hoc expert groups

27.48 The estimated requirements ($50,000) would provide for the convening of the two expert group meetings on the implications of return migration and on human resources development.

Travel of staff

27.49 The requirement of $15,400 relates to participation in the meetings of the Population Commission, attendance in the ACC Ad Hoc Inter-Agency Working Group on Demographic Estimates and Projections, consultations and collection of information on population variables and labour movements associated with the recent crisis in the region.

10. Public administration and finance

TABLE 27.26. ANALYSIS OF OVERALL COSTS

(Thousands of United States dollars)

(1) Regular budget

Main objects of expenditure	1990-1991 appropriation	Estimated additional requirements at revised 1991 rates: Revaluation of 1990-1991 resource base	Estimated additional requirements at revised 1991 rates: Resource growth	Total requirements at revised 1991 rates	Inflation in 1992 and 1993	1992-1993 estimates
Established posts	320.1	24.1	-	344.2	25.5	369.7
Consultants	-	-	5.0	5.0	0.5	5.5
Common staff costs	152.0	11.4	-	163.4	12.2	175.6
Travel of staff	8.6	0.4	-	9.0	1.3	10.3
Total	480.7	35.9	5.0	521.6	39.5	561.1

(2) Extrabudgetary resources

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Total	561.1

TABLE 27.27. POST REQUIREMENTS

Public administration and finance

	Established posts		Temporary posts					
	Regular budget		Regular budget		Extrabudgetary resources		Total	
	1990-1991	1992-1993	1990-1991	1992-1993	1990-1991	1992-1993	1990-1991	1992-1993
Professional category and above								
P-4	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	1
P-3	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	1
Total	2	2	-	-	-	-	2	2
Other categories								
Local level	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	1
Total	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	1
Grand total	3	3	-	-	-	-	3	3

Subprogramme 10. Public administration and finance

27.50 The activities under this subprogramme are proposed to assist the authorities of the monetary and financial systems in the ESCWA region in their efforts to improve mobilization, management and allocation of financial resources; and to assist Governments, public authorities and other entities to establish an efficient development administration and a well-functioning public and civil service. The activities would respond to the growing concern in the region regarding the management of available financial resources for development and the implications of net transfer of resources from the region.

Activities:

1. Published material

(a) Two issues of recurrent publications: developments and trends in the monetary and financial sectors in the economies of the ESCWA region (annual);**

(b) Three non-recurrent publications: finance and development in the ESCWA region; management and organization of Governments in the ESCWA region; and financial resources availability and management in the ESCWA region.*

2. Operational activities

Advisory services in the areas of money, finance and public administration.

Resource requirements (at revised 1991 rates)

Consultants

27.51 The amount of $5,000 would provide for specialized input for the study on financial resources availability and management in the ESCWA region.

Travel of staff

27.52 The requirement of $9,000 relates to the preparation of the studies on development and trends in the monetary and financial sectors, finance and development and management and organization of Governments in the ESCWA region.

** Low priority.

* High priority.

11. Science and technology

TABLE 27.28. ANALYSIS OF OVERALL COSTS

(Thousands of United States dollars)

(1) Regular budget

Main objects of expenditure	1990-1991 appropriation	Estimated additional requirements at revised 1991 rates: Revaluation of 1990-1991 resource base	Estimated additional requirements at revised 1991 rates: Resource growth	Total requirements at revised 1991 rates	Inflation in 1992 and 1993	1992-1993 estimates
Established posts	592.9	45.9	(150.2)	488.6	39.0	527.6
Consultants	27.1	1.3	(5.4)	23.0	3.8	26.8
Ad hoc expert groups	25.7	1.8	(4.0)	23.5	4.9	28.4
Common staff costs	281.6	21.6	(71.2)	232.0	18.4	250.4
Travel of staff	13.4	0.6	-	14.0	1.9	15.9
Total	940.7	71.2	(230.8)	781.1	68.0	849.1

(2) Extrabudgetary resources

	1990-1991 estimated expenditures	1992-1993 estimated expenditures
(a) Services in support of:		
(i) Other United Nations organizations	-	-
(ii) Extrabudgetary programmes	-	9.3
Total (a)	-	9.3
(b) Substantive activities	-	-
Total (b)	-	-

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TABLE 27.28 (continued)

	1990-1991 estimated expenditures	1992-1993 estimated expenditures
(c) Operational projects		
UNESCO	7.0	7.0
FAO	-	6.0
Bilateral sources	-	59.0
Total (c)	7.0	72.0
Total (a), (b) and (c)	7.0	81.3
Total		930.4

TABLE 27.29. POST REQUIREMENTS

Science and technology

	Established posts		Temporary posts					
	Regular budget		Regular budget		Extrabudgetary resources		Total	
	1990-1991	1992-1993	1990-1991	1992-1993	1990-1991	1992-1993	1990-1991	1992-1993
Professional category and above								
P-5	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	1
P-4	2	1	-	-	-	-	2	1
Total	3	2	-	-	-	-	3	2
Other categories								
Local level	2	2	-	-	-	-	2	2
Total	2	2	-	-	-	-	2	2
Grand total	5	4	-	-	-	-	5	4

Subprogramme 11. Science and technology

27.53 The subprogramme aims at supporting the development of national technological capabilities in science and technology and at improving the advantages of ESCWA countries in the technology transfer process. The activities are designed to develop indigenous skills in the integration of science and technology in the development planning process; to assess the implications of new and advanced materials technology for the development of ESCWA countries; and to examine methods of promoting research and development in this field. Efforts will also be made to promote cooperation in space science and technology education and its application for development, and to support member countries, particularly the least developed, by providing technical assistance.

Activities:

1. International cooperation

External relations: activities will be undertaken in liaison with regional institutions such as the Federation for Arab Scientific Research Council, the Islamic Foundation for Science and Technology and the Islamic Academy for Science and Technology.

2. Parliamentary services

Parliamentary documentation: report to the Commission on cooperation between ESCWA countries in the field of space science and technology education.

3. Published material

Two non-recurrent publications: new and advanced materials technology and development for selected ESCWA countries;* and integration of science and technology in the development plans in selected countries.**

4. Ad hoc expert groups

Three expert group meetings: two on new and advanced materials technology and development for ESCWA countries (RB and XB); and an expert group on outer space science and technology education (XB).

5. Operational activities

(a) Group training: workshop for high-level officials on the integration of science and technology in the national development plans (RB/XB);

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* High priority.

** Low priority.

(b) Field projects: participation in missions to member countries to evaluate available facilities relating to the establishment of an ESCWA centre for science and technology education.

6. Coordination, harmonization and liaison

Coordination within the ACC Task Force for Science and Technology for Development and with relevant specialized agencies, such as UNESCO and UNIDO.

Resource requirements (at revised 1991 rates)

Redeployment of posts

27.54 It is proposed to redeploy one P-4 post from this subprogramme to subprogramme 7, Natural resources (see also para. 27.37 above).

Consultants

27.55 The estimated requirement of $23,000 relates to obtaining specialized inputs for activities in new and advanced materials technology and development and in the integration of science and technology in national development plans.

Ad hoc expert group

27.56 The provision of $23,500 would cover the cost of convening an expert group meeting on new and advanced materials technology.

Travel of staff

27.57 The estimated requirements ($14,000) would provide for participation in the ACC Task Force on Science and Technology and related inter-agency and intergovernmental meetings, as well as for travel relating to the preparation of the publications.

12. Social development and welfare

TABLE 27.30. ANALYSIS OF OVERALL COSTS

(Thousands of United States dollars)

(1) Regular budget

Main objects of expenditure	1990-1991 appropriation	Estimated additional requirements at revised 1991 rates: Revaluation of 1990-1991 resource base	Estimated additional requirements at revised 1991 rates: Resource growth	Total requirements at revised 1991 rates	Inflation in 1992 and 1993	1992-1993 estimates
Established posts	1 052.0	(400.8)	66.8	718.0	53.2	771.2
Consultants	14.5	(5.5)	7.0	16.0	2.3	18.3
Ad hoc expert groups	-	-	15.5	15.5	1.6	17.1
Common staff costs	499.8	(190.6)	31.8	341.0	25.2	366.2
Travel of staff	10.5	3.7	1.3	15.5	2.4	17.9
Total	1 576.8	(593.2)	122.4	1 106.0	84.7	1 190.7

(2) Extrabudgetary resources

	1990-1991 estimated expenditures	1992-1993 estimated expenditures
(a) Services in support of:		
(i) Other United Nations organizations	-	-
(ii) Extrabudgetary programmes	3.1	23.7
Total (a)	3.1	23.7
(b) Substantive activities		
Trust Fund for ESCWA Regional Activities	5.0	-
Total (b)	5.0	-

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TABLE 27.30 (continued)

	1990-1991 estimated expenditures	1992-1993 estimated expenditures
(c) Operational projects		
UNIFEM	-	10.0
AGFUND	15.5	40.0
United Nations Trust Fund for Ageing	-	8.0
SIDA	-	104.0
Bilateral sources	3.0	12.0
Total (c)	18.5	174.0
Total (a), (b) and (c)	26.6	197.7
Total		1 388.4

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TABLE 27.31. POST REQUIREMENTS

Programme: Social development and welfare

	Established posts		Temporary posts				Total	
	Regular budget		Regular budget		Extrabudgetary resources			
	1990-1991	1992-1993	1990-1991	1992-1993	1990-1991	1992-1993	1990-1991	1992-1993
Professional category and above								
P-5	2	1	-	-	-	-	2	1
P-4	2	1	-	-	-	-	2	1
P-3	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	1
P-2/1	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	1
Total	6	4	-	-	-	-	6	4
Other categories								
Local level	3	2	-	-	-	-	3	2
Total	3	2	-	-	-	-	3	2
Grand total	9	6	-	-	-	-	9	6

Subprogramme 12. Social development and welfare*

27.58 The subprogramme will focus on special target groups, such as the disabled, youth and elderly. Particular attention will be given to monitoring social trends in the light of recent events in the region. Work will continue on the question of drug abuse control and prevention and operational activities will be undertaken in rural community development.

Activities:

1. Published material

(a) One issue of a recurrent publication: survey of social trends and social indicators in the ESCWA region (biennial);

(b) Six non-recurrent publications: impact of the recent crisis on the social situation in the ESCWA region;* review of national policies and programmes for crime prevention and control; review of national policies and programmes for drug abuse; assessment of situation and services for the disabled at the end of the United Nations Decade of Disabled Persons; adaptation and transfer of appropriate technologies for disabled persons; and marginal youth groups and measures to promote their participation in development.

2. Ad hoc expert groups

A meeting of experts on the development of policies and programmes for the elderly in the ESCWA region (RB/XB).

3. Operational activities

(a) Advisory services to Governments on specific social issues;

(b) Field projects: the formulation of rural community development programme and projects in selected villages.

Resource requirements (at revised 1991 rates)

Redeployment of posts

27.59 It is proposed to redeploy one Local level post to this subprogramme from Programme support in order to provide the required secretarial services (see also para. 27.76 below). One P-5, one P-4 and 2 Local level posts from this subprogramme are shown under the new subprogramme on Women and development (see also the footnote to table 27.2).

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* High priority.

Consultants

27.60 The requirement of $16,000 would provide for outside expertise relating to the preparation of the publications on social trends and social indicators in the ESCWA region, national policies and programmes regarding the elderly, disabled persons and the impact of the recent crisis in the region on living conditions in the region.

Ad hoc expert groups

27.61 The provision of $15,500 would cover part of the cost for convening a meeting of experts on the development of policies and programmes for the elderly in the ESCWA region.

Travel of staff

27.62 The estimated requirements ($15,500) relate to participation in the meetings of the Commission for Social Development, the collection and verification of unpublished data for the development of social indicators and consultations with Governments and institution officials on issues relating to operational activities.

13. Women and development

TABLE 27.32. ANALYSIS OF OVERALL COSTS

(Thousands of United States dollars)

(1) Regular budget

Main objects of expenditure	1990-1991 appropriation	Estimated additional requirements at revised 1991 rates: Revaluation of 1990-1991 resource base	Estimated additional requirements at revised 1991 rates: Resource growth	Total requirements at revised 1991 rates	Inflation in 1992 and 1993	1992-1993 estimates
Established posts	-	488.6	-	488.6	39.0	527.6
Consultants	-	6.2	1.8	8.0	1.6	9.6
Common staff costs	-	232.0	-	232.0	18.4	250.4
Travel of staff	-	12.1	1.5	13.6	2.1	15.7
Total	-	738.9	3.3	742.2	61.1	803.3

(2) Extrabudgetary resources

	1990-1991 estimated expenditures	1992-1993 estimated expenditures
(a) Services in support of:		
(i) Other United Nations organizations	-	-
(ii) Extrabudgetary programmes	27.3	39.0
Total (a)	27.3	39.0
(b) Substantive activities	-	-
Total (b)	-	-

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TABLE 27.32 (continued)

	1990-1991 estimated expenditures	1992-1993 estimated expenditures
(c) Operational projects		
UNIFEM	210.1	300.0
Total (c)	210.1	300.0
Total (a), (b) and (c)	237.4	339.0
Total		1 142.3

TABLE 27.33. POST REQUIREMENTS

Women and development

	Established posts		Temporary posts					
	Regular budget		Regular budget		Extrabudgetary resources		Total	
	1990-1991	1992-1993	1990-1991	1992-1993	1990-1991	1992-1993	1990-1991	1992-1993
Professional category and above								
P-5	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1
P-4	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1
Total	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	2
Other categories								
Local level	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	2
Total	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	2
Grand total	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	4

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Subprogramme 13. Women and development

27.63 The main focus of the subprogramme will be on operational activities that will help integrate women into the mainstream of development. Special attention will be given to the impact of the recent crisis on women.

Activities:

1. Parliamentary services

Parliamentary documentation: report to the Commission on support for technical assistance projects for the development of women.

2. Published material

(a) One issue of recurrent publication: studies on women and development;**

(b) Two non-recurrent publications: reintegration of women returnees and their families in their societies of origin; and assessment of the implementation of the Nairobi Forward-looking Strategies for the Advancement of Women in the region;

(c) Technical material: directory of Arab professional women in the field of technical cooperation among developing countries.

3. Operational activities

(a) Advisory services on ways and means of integrating women into development (RB/XB);*

(b) Group training: seminars and workshops aimed at improving the conditions of women in the region (RB/XB);*

(c) Field projects: identification and formulation of technical cooperation projects for the development of women in the region (RB/XB).*

Resource requirements (at revised 1991 rates)

Consultants

27.64 The provision of $8,000 relates to outside expertise necessary for the preparation of the assessment of the implementation of the Nairobi Forward-looking Strategies for the Advancement of Women in the ESCWA region.

** Low priority.

* High priority.

Travel of staff

27.65 The estimated requirement of $13,600 would provide for attendance at meetings of the Commission on the Status of Women and for travel relating to the preparation of the publications and to operational activities.

14. Statistics

TABLE 27.34. ANALYSIS OF OVERALL COSTS

(Thousands of United States dollars)

(1) Regular budget

Main objects of expenditure	1990-1991 appropriation	Estimated additional requirements at revised 1991 rates: Revaluation of 1990-1991 resource base	Estimated additional requirements at revised 1991 rates: Resource growth	Total requirements at revised 1991 rates	Inflation in 1992 and 1993	1992-1993 estimates
Established posts	1 247.1	83.9	-	1 331.0	116.2	1 447.2
Consultants	-	-	10.0	10.0	1.0	11.0
Ad hoc expert groups	16.0	1.1	9.9	27.0	5.7	32.7
Common staff costs	592.3	40.1	-	632.4	54.4	686.8
Travel of staff	20.1	5.5	-	25.6	3.9	29.5
Total	1 875.5	130.6	19.9	2 026.0	181.2	2 207.2

(2) Extrabudgetary resources

	1990-1991 estimated expenditures	1992-1993 estimated expenditures
(a) Services in support of:		
(i) Other United Nations organizations	-	-
(ii) Extrabudgetary programmes	7.6	97.4
Total (a)	7.6	97.4
(b) Substantive activities		
Trust Fund for ESCWA Regional Activities	5.3	-
Total (b)	5.3	-

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TABLE 27.34 (continued)

	1990-1991 estimated expenditures	1992-1993 estimated expenditures
(c) Operational projects		
UNFPA	270.0	170.0
AGFUND	80.0	700.0
Bilateral sources	14.0	14.0
Total (c)	364.0	884.0
Total (a), (b) and (c)	376.9	981.4
Total		3 188.6

TABLE 27.35. POST REQUIREMENTS

Statistics

	Established posts		Temporary posts				Total	
	Regular budget		Regular budget		Extrabudgetary resources			
	1990-1991	1992-1993	1990-1991	1992-1993	1990-1991	1992-1993	1990-1991	1992-1993
Professional category and above								
D-1	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	1
P-4	3	3	-	-	-	-	3	3
P-3	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	1
P-2/1	-	-	-	-	1	1	1	1
Total	5	5	-	-	1	1	6	6
Other categories								
Local level	8	8	-	-	-	-	8	8
Total	8	8	-	-	-	-	8	8
Grand total	13	13	-	-	1	1	14	14

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Subprogramme 14. Statistics

27.66 Efforts will be devoted to the collection, compilation, dissemination, standardization and development of comparable reliable statistics. Activities will be carried out in the areas of civil registration and vital statistics and social and population statistics covering women, disability, youth, infants, labour and other population groups, and on censuses household surveys and the development of databases. Special attention will be given to activities related to monitoring of the adverse effects of the recent crisis on the social and economic development of the region.

Activities:

1. International cooperation

External liaison: cooperation with governmental and regional institutions, particularly LAS and its standing committee on statistics, the Arab Institute for Training and Research in Statistics, the Arab Planning Institute, and the technical committee for statistical matters of the Gulf Cooperation Council in the organization of statistical policy meetings, workshops and seminars.

2. Parliamentary services

Parliamentary documentation: six reports to the fourth meeting of Heads of Central Statistical Organizations in the ESCWA region on statistical activities of ESCWA and on various aspects of economic and social statistics in the ESCWA region.

3. Published material

(a) Nine issues of recurrent publications: Statistical Abstract of the ESCWA Region (biennial); Unified Arab Statistical Abstract (biennial); Bulletin of National Accounts (annual); External Trade Bulletin of the ESCWA Region (biennial); Bulletin of Industrial Statistics of the ESCWA Region (annual); ** Bulletin on Price and Finance Statistics in the ESCWA Region (biennial);** and Compendium of Social Statistics (biennial);

(b) Four non-recurrent publications: study on social statistics in the ESCWA region; publication in Arabic of three United Nations manuals on vital statistics systems and methods and on population and housing censuses (RB/XB);

(c) Technical material: initial economic and social databases for future integration into an ESCWA statistical data bank.*

** Low priority.

* High priority.

4. Ad hoc expert groups

An expert group meeting on civil registration and vital statistics.

5. Operational activities

(a) Advisory services in the area of statistics, household surveys and sampling (XB);

(b) Group training: two workshops on selected topics relating to household surveys (XB).

6. Coordination, harmonization and liaison

Coordination with statistical offices of specialized agencies and other organizations of the United Nations. Participation in the ACC Subcommittee on Statistical Activities, in a number of intersecretariat working groups, and in the preparation of reports requested by the United Nations Statistical Office.

Resource requirements (at revised 1991 rates)

Consultants

27.67 The provision of $10,000 would provide for outside expertise relating to the organization and development of social and economic databases using micro-computers, including the selection of appropriate software.

Ad hoc expert groups

27.68 The amount of $27,000 would cover the costs of convening an expert group meeting on civil registration and vital statistics.

Travel of staff

27.69 The estimated requirements ($25,600) relate to attendance at meetings of the Statistical Commission, the ACC Subcommittee on Statistical Activities and other intersecretariat working groups, and regional statistical policy meetings; the preparation of the Unified Arab Statistical Abstract; and travel relating to the assessment and harmonization of data on national accounts.

15. Transport and communications

TABLE 27.36. ANALYSIS OF OVERALL COSTS

(Thousands of United States dollars)

(1) Regular budget

Main objects of expenditure	1990-1991 appropriation	Estimated additional requirements at revised 1991 rates: Revaluation of 1990-1991 resource base	Estimated additional requirements at revised 1991 rates: Resource growth	Total requirements at revised 1991 rates	Inflation in 1992 and 1993	1992-1993 estimates
Established posts	1 087.3	78.7	(127.2)	1 038.8	81.6	1 120.4
Consultants	36.2	1.7	-	37.9	5.9	43.8
Ad hoc expert groups	32.0	2.2	5.8	40.0	6.2	46.2
Common staff costs	516.5	37.3	(60.4)	493.4	38.4	531.8
Travel of staff	19.7	0.9	10.0	30.6	4.6	35.2
Total	1 691.7	120.8	(171.8)	1 640.7	136.7	1 777.4

(2) Extrabudgetary resources

	1990-1991 estimated expenditures	1992-1993 estimated expenditures
(a) Services in support of:		
(i) Other United Nations organizations	-	-
(ii) Extrabudgetary programmes	-	15.6
Total (a)	-	15.6
(b) Substantive activities	-	-
Total (b)	-	-

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TABLE 27.36 (continued)

	1990-1991 estimated expenditures	1992-1993 estimated expenditures
(c) Operational projects		
UNDP	-	100.0
Maritime Academy	-	10.0
Land Transport Union	-	10.0
Total (c)	-	120.0
Total (a), (b) and (c)	-	135.6
Total		1 913.0

TABLE 27.37. POST REQUIREMENTS

Programme: Transport and communications

	Established posts		Temporary posts					
	Regular budget		Regular budget		Extrabudgetary resources		Total	
	1990-1991	1992-1993	1990-1991	1992-1993	1990-1991	1992-1993	1990-1991	1992-1993
Professional category and above								
D-1	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	1
P-4	3	3	-	-	-	-	3	3
P-3	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
P-2/1	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	1
Total	6	5	-	-	-	-	6	5
Other categories								
Local level	4	4	-	-	-	-	4	4
Total	4	4	-	-	-	-	4	4
Grand total	10	9	-	-	-	-	10	9

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27.70 Emphasis will be placed on the training and development of manpower in the transport sector, as well as the modernization of management and operational techniques, in the light of recent events in the region. Related environmental issues will also be taken into account. In order to help ease the financial burden on Governments, ways and means of private financing of the sector will be examined.

Activities:

1. Parliamentary services

Parliamentary documentation: two reports to the Commission on the application of the Code of Conduct for Liner Conferences in the ESCWA region, and on the outcome of the intergovernmental meeting on joint activities of ESCWA and the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP), within the framework of the Transport and Communications Decade in Asia and the Pacific.

2. Published material

(a) Three issues of recurrent publications: Transport Bulletin (annual); and Maritime Transport Statistics (biennial);**

(b) Nine non-recurrent publications: privatization and deregulation of selected transport modes; information classification for the transport sector; subsidy in the transport sector; coordination of investments in the transport sector;** pricing policies of port services and facilities in the ESCWA region; utilization of computer technology in operations and management for selected transport modes; training needs for transport authorities in Western Asia;* assessment of manpower development in selected ESCWA countries; and maritime hydrographic surveys and maintenance of hydrographic surveying equipment in ESCWA countries.

3. Ad hoc expert groups

Two expert group meetings on training requirements in the transport sector;* and on the development of a management information system in transport.

4. Operational activities

(a) Advisory services on various aspects of transport requirements and management;

** Low priority.

* High priority.

(b) Group training: two seminars on deregulation and its effects on urban transportation, and on pricing policies of post services and facilities in the ESCWA region; and a workshop on hydrographic surveys and maintenance of hydrographic surveying equipment.

5. Coordination, harmonization and liaison

Coordination with ESCAP to undertake joint projects within the framework of the Transport and Communications Decade for Asia and the Pacific.

Resource requirements (at revised 1991 rates)

Redeployment of posts

27.71 It is proposed to redeploy one P-3 post from this subprogramme to subprogramme 3, Environment (see para. 27.21 above).

Consultants

27.72 The estimate of $37,900 would provide for outside expertise required for various activities, including the seminar on pricing policies of port services and facilities in the ESCWA region, for the preparation of the publication on maritime hydrographic surveying and maintenance of hydrographic surveying equipment, and for the development of a transport management information system.

Ad hoc expert groups

27.73 The provision of $40,000 would cover the cost of convening two expert group meetings to review policies and recommend measures to develop a transport management information system in the region, and to review and assess policies and measures undertaken in the development of training in the transport sector.

Travel of staff

27.74 The estimated requirements of $30,600 relate to participation at relevant intergovernmental and regional meetings, coordination with officials of ESCAP and LAS on joint projects, consultations with Governments and relevant organizations and the collection of information for various publications.

C. Programme support

TABLE 27.38. ANALYSIS OF OVERALL COSTS

(Thousands of United States dollars)

(1) Regular budget

Main objects of expenditure	1990-1991 appropriation	Estimated additional requirements at revised 1991 rates: Revaluation of 1990-1991 resource base	Estimated additional requirements at revised 1991 rates: Resource growth	Total requirements at revised 1991 rates	Inflation in 1992 and 1993	1992-1993 estimates
Established posts	12 317.6	729.4	(169.0)	12 878.0	1 344.7	14 222.7
Temporary assistance for meetings	107.4	3.0	-	110.4	17.0	127.4
General temporary assistance	26.8	1.3	(10.0)	18.1	3.3	21.4
Consultants	129.9	6.1	(22.0)	114.0	17.4	131.4
Overtime	175.6	8.2	(80.0)	103.8	18.7	122.5
Common staff costs	5 851.1	354.1	(80.4)	6 124.8	622.0	6 746.8
Travel of staff	27.5	1.3	33.8	62.6	9.7	72.3
Training	67.1	2.9	-	70.0	10.8	80.8
Contractual services	-	-	25.0	25.0	3.8	28.8
External printing and binding	48.7	2.3	-	51.0	7.8	58.8
Data-processing services	210.8	10.0	-	220.8	33.3	254.1
Rental and maintenance of premises	1 128.6	53.6	200.0	1 382.2	194.2	1 576.4
Utilities	427.4	29.8	(75.0)	382.2	57.0	439.2
Rental of furniture and equipment	410.2	19.4	(50.0)	379.6	57.2	436.8
Communications	513.2	24.2	-	537.4	81.7	619.1
Official functions	11.7	0.5	-	12.2	1.9	14.1
Miscellaneous services	195.8	9.2	-	205.0	27.5	232.5
Supplies and materials	564.7	26.7	(100.0)	491.4	77.3	568.7
Furniture and equipment	553.6	(85.6)	30.0	498.0	75.5	573.5
Capital expenditures	36.8	(36.8)	-	-	-	-
Total	22 804.5	1 159.6	(297.6)	23 666.5	2 660.8	26 327.3

TABLE 27.38 (continued)

(2) Extrabudgetary resources

	1990-1991 estimated expenditures	1992-1993 estimated expenditures
(a) Services in support of:		
(i) Other United Nations organizations	-	-
(ii) Extrabudgetary programmes	83.0	60.0
Total (a)	83.0	60.0
(b) Substantive activities	-	-
Total (b)	-	-
(c) Operational projects	-	-
Total (c)	-	-
Total (a), (b) and (c)	83.0	60.0
Total		26 387.3

TABLE 27.39. POST REQUIREMENTS

Programme support

	Established posts		Temporary posts					
	Regular budget		Regular budget		Extrabudgetary resources		Total	
	1990-1991	1992-1993	1990-1991	1992-1993	1990-1991	1992-1993	1990-1991	1992-1993
Professional category and above								
D-1	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	1
P-5	5	5	-	-	-	-	5	5
P-4	7	7	-	-	-	-	7	7
P-3	12	12	-	-	-	-	12	12
P-2/1	4	3	-	-	1	1	5	4
Total	29	28	-	-	1	1	30	29
Other categories								
Local level	132	131	-	-	2	2	134	133
Total	132	131	-	-	2	2	134	133
Grand total	161	159	-	-	3	3	164	162

27.75 This subsection encompasses information services, conference and library services, management of technical cooperation and administration and common services.

Activities:

1. Information services

Services to be provided relate to ESCWA activities, as well as those undertaken jointly with the Department of Public Information, including the issuance of: a fortnightly newsletter on ESCWA activities; periodical bulletins, press releases and news dispatches concerning United Nations and ESCWA activities. Other activities are liaison with the news media, governmental and non-governmental organizations, educational institutions and other local redisseminators of information including press conferences, interviews, lectures, discussions and meetings. A continuous information flow within ESCWA is also ensured on a need-to-know and on a general basis, concerning developments within the United Nations system and outside that system that may bear effect on ESCWA.

2. Conference and library services

(a) Activities will include the provision of conference services to meetings of policy-making bodies of ESCWA, and other intergovernmental and ad hoc expert group meetings to be held under ESCWA auspices; the editing, translation and printing of documents and publications; and the provision of library services;

(b) The following bodies will receive services: sixteenth and seventeenth sessions of the Commission (1992, 1993); Technical Committee (1992, 1993); two intergovernmental committees, one on statistics and one on transport and communications; and the Advisory Body of heads of diplomatic missions.

3. Management of technical cooperation activities

(a) Services to be provided include the identification and formulation of project proposals, execution and monitoring of projects financed by UNDP and other United Nations agencies; formulation and management of projects financed from other extrabudgetary resources; management and coordination of activities undertaken by regional advisors; and organization of seminars, workshops and fellowships;

(b) Publication of reports on missions by regional advisors;

(c) Advisory services will be provided in development issues and policies, environment, industrial development, energy, water, science and technology, social development, statistics, transport and communications.

4. Administration and common services

The Division of Administration would provide services in connection with human resources management, financial administration and resource planning, and use of common services to support the implementation of the work programme. Activities will include: (i) recruitment, placement, career development, staff training and staff administration; (ii) financial management and control, and treasury services; (iii) programme planning, budgeting and monitoring; (iv) general services, including security and safety, communications, procurement, transportation, archives and record management; and (v) electronic data processing.

Resource requirements (at revised 1991 rates)

Redeployment of posts

27.76 The proposed redeployment of one P-2 and one Local level posts represents a net result of number of redeployments effected in connection with Executive direction and management, subprogramme 7, Natural resources, subprogramme 9, Population, and subprogramme 12, Social development and welfare, respectively (see also paras. 27.9, 27.37, 27.46 and 27.59 above).

Temporary assistance for meetings

27.77 The estimated requirements of $110,400 would provide for interpretation services for two sessions of the Commission and its Technical Committee.

General temporary assistance

27.78 The provision of $18,100 relates to replacement of staff on extended leave and for additional assistance during peak workload periods.

Consultants

27.79 The requested provision of $114,000 would cover the costs of outside expertise in training of staff and in establishing a computerized database on the programmes and activities of ESCWA, a medical doctor and a legal adviser.

Overtime and night differential

27.80 The estimated requirements ($103,800) relate to work in connection with servicing of intergovernmental meetings, as well as additional requirements during peak workload periods.

Travel of staff

27.81 The requested provision of $62,600 relates to travel for information activities by language staff to the annual system-wide meeting of Conference Services, by administrative staff for consultations and coordination on management issues and for training.

Training

27.82 The amount of $70,000 would provide for part-time language teachers.

Contractual services

27.83 The requirement of $25,000 relates to the external editing of publications in Arabic and English during peak periods to supplement the limited editing capacity of Conference Services.

External printing and binding

27.84 The provision of $51,000 would cover the publications programme of ESCWA. This requirement is provisional and would be reviewed at a later stage, if the printing shop, which is being transferred to Amman from Baghdad, is not fully operational early in the biennium.

Data-processing services

27.85 The estimated requirements ($220,800) would cover the cost of databases and the rental of computer software.

Rental and maintenance of premises

27.86 The estimated requirements ($1,382,200) would provide for the maintenance of the premises at Baghdad, additional rent and maintenance at Amman and rental of conference facilities at Amman for the sessions of the Commission.

Utilities

27.87 The provision of $382,200 would cover the estimated costs of electricity, water, fuel and oil consumption at Baghdad and Amman.

Rental and maintenance of furniture and equipment

27.88 The amount of $379,600 would provide for rental and maintenance of office equipment, maintenance and operation of transportation equipment and maintenance of furniture, reproduction and other equipment.

Communications

27.89 The requirement of $537,400 would cover telephone, cable, telex, postage and diplomatic pouch charges.

Official functions

27.90 The requested provision of $12,200 relates to group hospitality extended to participants at official functions, including the annual celebration of United Nations Day.

Miscellaneous services

27.91 The requirements of $205,000 relate to general insurance, freight and related costs, bank charges and miscellaneous services.

Supplies and materials

27.92 The estimated requirements ($491,400) would provide for the purchase of stationery and other expendable and non-expendable office supplies and materials for computer operations, internal reproduction, public information and training. It would also provide for library books and supplies and subscriptions to publications and technical periodicals.

Furniture and equipment

27.93 The requested amount of $498,000 relates to the replacement of existing furniture and equipment in accordance with the normal replacement schedule, of which an amount of $142,600 would be earmarked for the purchase of data-processing equipment, including for purposes of training.